

Biostatistics, MS

Admission

Applicants to the MS program in biostatistics must apply through the Schools of Public Health Application Service (SOPHAS). After the SOPHAS application is verified, the applicant pays a supplemental Graduate College admission fee to the University of Iowa Office of Admissions. For detailed application information, visit [Requirements and How to Apply to Biostatistics](#) on the Department of Biostatistics website.

The biostatistics faculty considers several factors when evaluating applications for admission, including grade-point averages, letters of recommendation, intent and motivation for graduate study, and research interests.

All applicants must hold a bachelor's degree and have a cumulative grade-point average of at least 3.00.

All biostatistics applicants are required to have strong written and oral communication skills.

All applicants must be competent in at least one computer programming language. They also must have mathematical sciences training in methods and techniques of single variable and multivariable differential and integral calculus, and in linear algebra. Previous coursework or experience in statistical methods or data analysis is preferred.

Applicants must meet the admission requirements of the Graduate College; see the [Manual of Rules and Regulations](#) on the Graduate College website.

Students may enter in the fall; the priority application deadline is December 1.